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Virginia Secretaries' Summit on **Analytics**

Governor Terry McAuliffe spoke September 30th to more than 350 people attending the Virginia Secretaries' Summit on Analytics, generously sponsored by Casey Family Programs and Broadaxe Care Coordination.

Participants included representatives from business, technology and nonprofits as well as officials from local, state and federal government agencies. It attracted national experts on the use of data analytics to improve community health and predict trends in homelessness. State officials presented their own success stories in using data to find homes for foster children and to help students choose a major and decide which college to attend.

Both Secretary Jackson and Secretary Hazel want to keep the vision moving forward. To help share ideas and information with everyone who attended the Summit the Secretaries have defined the following next steps: 1. All Summit materials will be available on-line at

<u>ehhr.virginia.gov/resources/</u>. This will include video and audio recordings for major sessions and PowerPoint documents for all sessions. 2. The Secretary of Technology will complete embedding the VCU Informatics Graduate Student program with multiple Agen-

cies. The focus of the effort is to share information, build under-

- standing, and provide the agencies with supportive analytic re-3. Secretary Jackson and Secretary Hazel have committed to two advanced analytic pilot projects in the next four months.
- 4. The eHHR Newsletter will include updates on Analytics to keep interested parties abreast of new analytic developments.
- 5. A topic on Analytics standards will be included in the HITSAC meeting agenda quarterly.
- Analytics will be a major theme for the DataThon in COVITS
- 2015. Additional sessions will be added to continue the Secretaries' Summit learning at COVITS 2015.

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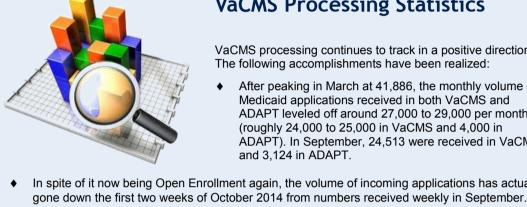
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VaCMS processing continues to track in a positive direction.

VaCMS Processing Statistics

The following accomplishments have been realized: After peaking in March at 41,886, the monthly volume of Medicaid applications received in both VaCMS and

- ADAPT leveled off around 27,000 to 29,000 per month (roughly 24,000 to 25,000 in VaCMS and 4,000 in ADAPT). In September, 24,513 were received in VaCMS and 3,124 in ADAPT. In spite of it now being Open Enrollment again, the volume of incoming applications has actually
- The number of applications pending >45 days peaked in March at over 25,000 and has been coming down steadily since. As of October 10, there were 4,614 applications pending >45 days.
- A total of 61,120 FFM applications have been transferred to VaCMS since February, of which 22,523 have either been approved, denied, or denied and transferred to LDSS agencies for
- ABD evaluation. As of October 14 there were 38,597 FFM applications still pending. The pace of processing FFM applications has increased steadily since Cover Virginia began processing them. In the week ending October 10, Cover Virginia processed over 3,600 FFM
- applications. The use of CommonHelp for submitting applications continues to increase slowly. In September, 36% of Medicaid applications were submitted through CommonHelp.
- Data from MMIS in mid September indicated there were 45,219 overdue MA case reviews. Agencies have been asking for more frequent updates on case reviews. Several options
- are being investigated and tested but there is currently no alternative source of data on renewals than the monthly MMIS report to VDSS.

Last month Governor McAuliffe launched A Healthy Virginia, a 10-step plan to expand healthcare services to over 200,000 Virginians. This plan is an unprecedented action by any governor in Virginia history and includes authorizations of four emergency regulations, one executive order, and

Governor McAuliffe Announces Measures to Expand

Healthcare Services to Over 200,000 Virginians

The plan outlines the following 10 steps: Step 1: Covering people with serious mental illness

Step 2: Improve the coordination of care for adults and children who are already covered by Medi-

innovative and creative solutions to expand healthcare to Virginia veterans, children, and families.

Step 6: Provide dental benefits to pregnant women in Medicaid and FAMIS

Steps 3 & 4: Sign up more Virginians for the Federal Marketplace, Medicaid, and FAMIS

them enroll Step 8: Accelerate access to quality health care for our veterans

Step 9: Take bold actions to reduce deaths from prescription drug and heroin abuse Step 10: Aggressively pursue Federal grants that can bring new dollars into Virginia for health care

Step 5: Open up FAMIS for eligible state workers to insure their children Step 7: Launch an innovative new website to inform Virginians of their coverage options and help

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50,000th Birth Certificate Issued Through DMV/VDH **Partnership**

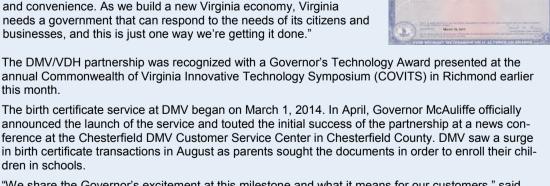
Motor Vehicles (DMV) and the Virginia Department of Health's (VDH) Division of Vital Records. As of September, the number of birth certificates sold at DMV offices topped 50,000. "Fifty thousand is a very impressive number, and we are barely six months into this exciting partnership," said Governor McAuliffe.

businesses, and this is just one way we're getting it done." The DMV/VDH partnership was recognized with a Governor's Technology Award presented at the annual Commonwealth of Virginia Innovative Technology Symposium (COVITS) in Richmond earlier this month. The birth certificate service at DMV began on March 1, 2014. In April, Governor McAuliffe officially

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birth certificate at DMV is \$14.

"Clearly, Virginians are embracing this model of responsive service and convenience. As we build a new Virginia economy, Virginia needs a government that can respond to the needs of its citizens and



"We share the Governor's excitement at this milestone and what it means for our customers," said DMV Commissioner Richard D. Holcomb. "Customers at our front counters have been pleasantly surprised that DMV offers this birth certificate service. The response has been tremendous, and the numbers speak for themselves."

"We are also pleased that the VDH/DMV collaboration has enhanced easy access to these important documents frequently needed by Virginians," said State Health Commissioner Dr. Marissa Levine.

"Our partners at DMV understand and share our commitment to the security and accessibility of Virginia vital records, and we look forward to continuing that shared commitment.' As of October 6, 2014, DMV has issued 54,523 certificates. The process for obtaining vital records through DMV is the same as doing so directly through the Division of Vital Records. Customers complete an application, submit the required documentation, and pay a fee to the agency. The fee for a

The DMV/VDH partnership was authorized by legislation (SB 1039, Newman) passed by the General Assembly in 2013. In addition to birth certificates, the legislation provides that DMV will begin issuing copies of death, marriage and divorce records. DMV and VDH expect to be ready to begin this phase in summer 2015. All original records will continue to be stored securely at the Vital Records office.

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